## PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION DIRECTIVE

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER		DATE	July 25, 2018
MOTOR CARRIER MATTER		DOCKET NO.	2018-207-Е
UTILITIES MATTER	<b>✓</b>	ORDER NO.	

## **SUBJECT:**

<u>DOCKET NO. 2018-207-E</u> - <u>Petition of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC for An Accounting Order to Defer Certain Capital and Operating Expenses</u> - Staff Presents for Commission Consideration Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's Petition for an Accounting Order to Defer Certain Capital and Operating Expenses.

## **COMMISSION ACTION:**

Move that we approve the Company's request to defer the return and depreciation expense, property taxes, incremental non-fuel operating and maintenance expenses and carrying costs at the weighted average cost of capital associated with the Lee Combined Cycle plant incurred since January 1, 2018. Such costs are approximately \$22 million on a South Carolina Retail basis, estimated through mid-2019.

I move that we also approve the Company's request to defer in a regulatory asset account the incremental operating and maintenance expenses associated with the deployment of the Company's new billing and Customer Information System, known as Customer Connect, and carrying costs on the deferred costs at its weighted average cost of capital incurred since January 1, 2018. The costs to be deferred are approximately \$6 million on a South Carolina Retail basis through mid-2019.

Furthermore, I move that we approve the Company's request to defer in a regulatory asset account the return and depreciation on the capital costs associated with the Company's Carolinas West Primary Distribution Control Center incurred since January 1, 2018. The Company states the costs it seeks to defer are approximately \$5 million on a South Carolina Retail basis, estimated through mid-2019.

I would note that ORS does not object to the Company's Petition. Approval of the Company's request will not involve a change to any retail rates or prices and does not preclude raising these issues in subsequent proceedings.

PRESIDING	: <u>Randall</u>				SESSIO	N: <u>Regular</u>	TIME:	2:00 p.m.
	MOTION	YES	NO OT	HER				
ELAM		<b>✓</b>						
ERVIN	✓	<b>✓</b>						
HAMILTON		<b>✓</b>						

HOWARD		<b>✓</b>			
RANDALL		<b>✓</b>			
WHITFIELD		<b>✓</b>			
WILLIAMS			<u>Absent</u>	Military Leave	
(SEAL)	NO152				RECORDED BY: J. Schmieding